



Golden State Examination



California Standards Tests

Questions and Answers

Will the linking of the Golden State Examination (GSE) and California Standard Tests (CST) mean no more winter GSE administration?

It is expected that the GSEs for Government/Civics and Economics will continue to be administered during the winter. The GSEs in High School Mathematics, Reading/Literature and Written Composition Exams, however, only will be offered during the spring, beginning with the 2002-2003 school year.

Without a state database, how can CST and GSE scores be linked and combined?

The STAR Program and GSE contractors will coordinate matching scores from the two tests. Students must take the GSE and CST components to be eligible for a GSE designation.